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NOTES:

Senator Jeff Sessions of Alabama served on the Committee during the 115th Congress from January 5, 2017, until his appointment as Attorney General on February 9, 2017.

On February 9, 2017, the Senate passed S. Res. 57, appointing Senator Luther Strange of Alabama to the Committee on Armed Services.

Senator Luther Strange of Alabama served on the Committee during the 115th Congress from February 9, 2017 until the end of his Senate term on January 3, 2018.

On January 9, 2018, the Senate passed S. Res. 369, appointing Senator Tim Scott of South Carolina to the Committee on Armed Services.

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

U.S. SENATE,
COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES,
Washington, DC, February 7, 2018.

Hon. MIKE PENCE,
President of the Senate,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: Senate Rule XXVI.8(b) requires the submission of a report of the activities of the Senate Committee on Armed Services for the previous Congress.

In accordance with the requirements, I am submitting the report of the activities of the Committee during the 114th Congress. This report outlines the most noteworthy legislative achievements and other achievements and activities of our Committee.

Sincerely,

JOHN MCCAIN,
Chairman.

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Senators McCain and Reed served as *ex-officio* members of all subcommittees.

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DATES OF APPOINTMENT TO THE COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

JOHN MCCAIN, *January 6, 1987*
JAMES M. INHOFE, *January 4, 1995*
JEFF SESSIONS, *January 7, 1999*
ROGER F. WICKER, *January 24, 2008*
KELLY AYOTTE, *February 3, 2011*
DEB FISCHER, *January 24, 2013*
TOM COTTON, *January 7, 2015*
MIKE ROUNDS, *January 7, 2015*
JONI ERNST, *January 7, 2015*
THOM TILLIS, *January 7, 2015*
DAN SULLIVAN, *January 7, 2015*
MIKE LEE, *January 24, 2013*
LINDSEY GRAHAM, *January 15, 2003*

JACK REED, *January 7, 1999*
BILL NELSON, *January 24, 2013*
CLAIRE McCASKILL, *January 12, 2007*
JOE MANCHIN III, *November 15, 2010*
JEANNE SHAHEEN, *February 3, 2011*
KIRSTEN E. GILLIBRAND, *February 3, 2011*
RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, *February 3, 2011*
JOE DONNELLY, *January 24, 2013*
MAZIE K. HIRONO, *January 24, 2013*
TIM KAINE, *January 24, 2013*
ANGUS S. KING, JR., *January 24, 2013*
MARTIN HEINRICH, *January 7, 2015*
TED CRUZ, *January 24, 2013*

JURISDICTION AND HISTORY

The Committee on Armed Services jurisdiction is set forth in Rule XXV(c) of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

(1) Committee on Armed Services, to which committee shall be referred all proposed legislation, messages, petitions, memorials, and other matters relating to the following subjects:

1. Aeronautical and space activities peculiar to or primarily associated with the development of weapons systems or military operations.
2. Common defense.
3. Department of Defense, the Department of the Army, the Department of the Navy, and the Department of the Air Force, generally.
4. Maintenance and operation of the Panama Canal, including administration, sanitation, and government of the Canal Zone.
5. Military research and development.
6. National security aspects of nuclear energy.
7. Naval petroleum reserves, except those in Alaska.
8. Pay, promotion, retirement, and other benefits and privileges of members of the Armed Forces, including overseas education of civilian and military dependents.
9. Selective service system.
10. Strategic and critical materials necessary for the common defense.

(2) Such committee shall also study and review, on a comprehensive basis, matters relating to the common defense policy of the United States, and report thereon from time to time.

The Senate Committees on Military Affairs; the Militia; and Naval Affairs were established on December 10, 1816. The Committee on the Militia was merged with the Committee on Military Affairs in 1858 to form the Military Affairs and Militia Committee. In 1872 the Committee dropped "Militia" from its name. The Military Affairs and Naval Affairs Committees existed until 1947 when they were combined by the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (Public Law 601 of the Seventy-ninth Congress, approved August 2, 1946, as amended by Public Law 510 of the Ninety-first Congress, approved October 26, 1970) into a new standing committee, the current Committee on Armed Services.

Part 1 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 created the standing committees of the Senate and provided that the Committee on Armed Services should consist of 13 Senators. The history of changes in the Committee on Armed Services membership since 1946 is as follows:

Congress:	Year:	Under Authority of:	Number of Senators:
82nd	1953	S. Res. 18	15
86th	1959	S. Res. 24	17
90th	1967	S. Res. 11	18
91st	1970	H.R. 17654	15
92nd	1971	S. Res. 15	16
93rd	1973	S. Res. 10	15
94th	1975	S. Res. 17	16
95th	1977	S. Res. 4 & S. Res. 82	18
100th	1987	S. Res. 14	20
103rd	1993	S. Res. 130	22
104th	1995	S. Res. 14	21
105th	1997	S. Res. 9	18
107th	2001	in part by S. Res. 8	25
109th	2005	S. Res. 5 & S. Res. 6	24
110th	2007	S. Res. 27 & S. Res. 28	25
111th	2009	S. Res. 18 & S. Res. 19	26
111th	2010	S. Res. 429 & S. Res. 450	28
112th	2011	S. Res. 42 and S. Res. 43	26
113th	2013	S. Res. 17 & S. Res. 18	26
114th	2015	S. Res 18 & S. Res. 21	26

RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

1. **REGULAR MEETING DAY**—The Committee shall meet at least once a month when Congress is in session. The regular meeting days of the Committee shall be Tuesday and Thursday, unless the Chairman, after consultation with the Ranking Minority Member, directs otherwise.

2. **ADDITIONAL MEETINGS**—The Chairman, after consultation with the Ranking Minority Member, may call such additional meetings as he deems necessary.

3. **SPECIAL MEETINGS**—Special meetings of the Committee may be called by a majority of the members of the Committee in accordance with paragraph 3 of Rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

4. **OPEN MEETINGS**—Each meeting of the Committee, or any subcommittee thereof, including meetings to conduct hearings, shall be open to the public, except that a meeting or series of meetings by the Committee or a subcommittee thereof on the same subject for a period of no more than fourteen (14) calendar days may be closed to the public on a motion made and seconded to go into closed session to discuss only whether the matters enumerated below in clauses (a) through (f) would require the meeting to be closed, followed immediately by a record vote in open session by a majority of the members of the Committee or subcommittee when it is determined that the matters to be discussed or the testimony to be taken at such meeting or meetings—

(a) will disclose matters necessary to be kept secret in the interests of national defense or the confidential conduct of the foreign relations of the United States;

(b) will relate solely to matters of Committee staff personnel or internal staff management or procedure;

(c) will tend to charge an individual with a crime or misconduct, to disgrace or injure the professional standing of an individual, or otherwise to expose an individual to public contempt or obloquy or will represent a clearly unwarranted invasion of the privacy of an individual;

(d) will disclose the identity of any informer or law enforcement agent or will disclose any information relating to the investigation or prosecution of a criminal offense that is required to be kept secret in the interests of effective law enforcement;

(e) will disclose information relating to the trade secrets or financial or commercial information pertaining specifically to a given person if—

(1) an Act of Congress requires the information to be kept confidential by Government officers and employees; or

(2) the information has been obtained by the Government on a confidential basis, other than through an application by such person for a specific Government financial or other benefit, and is required to be kept secret in order to prevent undue injury to the competitive position of such person; or

(f) may divulge matters required to be kept confidential under other provisions of law or Government regulations.

5. **PRESIDING OFFICER**—The Chairman shall preside at all meetings and hearings of the Committee except that in his absence the Ranking Majority Member present at the meeting or hearing shall preside unless by majority vote the Committee provides otherwise.

6. **QUORUM**—(a) A majority of the members of the Committee are required to be actually present to report a matter or measure from the Committee. (See Standing Rules of the Senate 26.7(a)(1)).

(b) Except as provided in subsections (a) and (c), and other than for the conduct of hearings, nine members of the Committee, including one member of the minority party; or a majority of the members of the Committee, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of such business as may be considered by the Committee.

(c) Three members of the Committee, one of whom shall be a member of the minority party, shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of taking sworn testimony, unless otherwise ordered by a majority of the full Committee.

(d) Proxy votes may not be considered for the purpose of establishing a quorum.

7. **PROXY VOTING**—Proxy voting shall be allowed on all measures and matters before the Committee. The vote by proxy of any member of the Committee may be counted for the purpose of reporting any measure or matter to the Senate if the absent member casting such vote has been informed of the matter on which the member is being recorded and has affirmatively requested that he or she be so recorded. Proxy must be given in writing.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF VOTES**—The results of all roll call votes taken in any meeting of the Committee on any measure, or amendment thereto, shall be announced in the Committee report, unless previously announced by the Committee. The announcement shall include a tabulation of the votes cast in favor and votes cast in opposition to each such measure and amendment by each member of the Committee who was present at such meeting. The Chairman, after consultation with the Ranking Minority Member, may hold open a roll call vote on any measure or matter which is before the Committee until no later than midnight of the day on which the Committee votes on such measure or matter.

9. **SUBPOENAS**—Subpoenas for attendance of witnesses and for the production of memoranda, documents, records, and the like may be issued, after consultation with the Ranking Minority Member, by the Chairman or any other member designated by the Chairman, but only when authorized by a majority of the members of the Committee. The subpoena shall briefly state the matter to which the witness is expected to testify or the documents to be produced.

10. HEARINGS—(a) Public notice shall be given of the date, place and subject matter of any hearing to be held by the Committee, or any subcommittee thereof, at least 1 week in advance of such hearing, unless the Committee or subcommittee determines that good cause exists for beginning such hearings at an earlier time.

(b) Hearings may be initiated only by the specified authorization of the Committee or subcommittee.

(c) Hearings shall be held only in the District of Columbia unless specifically authorized to be held elsewhere by a majority vote of the Committee or subcommittee conducting such hearings.

(d) The Chairman of the Committee or subcommittee shall consult with the Ranking Minority Member thereof before naming witnesses for a hearing.

(e) Witnesses appearing before the Committee shall file with the clerk of the Committee a written statement of their proposed testimony prior to the hearing at which they are to appear unless the Chairman and the Ranking Minority Member determine that there is good cause not to file such a statement. Witnesses testifying on behalf of the Administration shall furnish an additional 50 copies of their statement to the Committee. All statements must be received by the Committee at least 48 hours (not including weekends or holidays) before the hearing.

(f) Confidential testimony taken or confidential material presented in a closed hearing of the Committee or subcommittee or any report of the proceedings of such hearing shall not be made public in whole or in part or by way of summary unless authorized by a majority vote of the Committee or subcommittee.

(g) Any witness summoned to give testimony or evidence at a public or closed hearing of the Committee or subcommittee may be accompanied by counsel of his own choosing who shall be permitted at all times during such hearing to advise such witness of his legal rights.

(h) Witnesses providing unsworn testimony to the Committee may be given a transcript of such testimony for the purpose of making minor grammatical corrections. Such witnesses will not, however, be permitted to alter the substance of their testimony. Any question involving such corrections shall be decided by the Chairman.

11. NOMINATIONS—Unless otherwise ordered by the Committee, nominations referred to the Committee shall be held for at least seven (7) days before being voted on by the Committee. Each member of the Committee shall be furnished a copy of all nominations referred to the Committee.

12. REAL PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS—Each member of the Committee shall be furnished with a copy of the proposals of the Secretaries of the Army, Navy, and Air Force, submitted pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2662 and with a copy of the proposals of the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, submitted pursuant to 50 U.S.C. App. 2285, regarding the proposed acquisition or disposition of property of an estimated price or rental of more than \$50,000. Any member of the Committee objecting to or requesting information on a proposed acquisition or disposal shall communicate his objection or request to the Chairman of the Committee within thirty (30) days from the date of submission.

13. LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR—(a) The clerk of the Committee shall keep a printed calendar for the information of each Committee member showing the bills introduced and referred to the Committee and the status of such bills. Such calendar shall be revised from time to time to show pertinent changes in such bills, the current status thereof, and new bills introduced and referred to the Committee. A copy of each new revision shall be furnished to each member of the Committee.

(b) Unless otherwise ordered, measures referred to the Committee shall be referred by the clerk of the Committee to the appropriate department or agency of the Government for reports thereon.

14. Except as otherwise specified herein, the Standing Rules of the Senate shall govern the actions of the Committee. Each subcommittee of the Committee is part of the Committee, and is therefore subject to the Committee's rules so far as applicable.

15. POWERS AND DUTIES OF SUBCOMMITTEES—Each subcommittee is authorized to meet, hold hearings, receive evidence, and report to the full Committee on all matters referred to it. Subcommittee chairmen, after consultation with Ranking Minority Members of the subcommittees, shall set dates for hearings and meetings of their respective subcommittees after consultation with the Chairman and other subcommittee chairmen with a view toward avoiding simultaneous scheduling of full Committee and subcommittee meetings or hearings whenever possible.

RELATIONSHIP OF ANNUAL AUTHORIZATION TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

History of Section 114, Title 10, United States Code

The jurisdiction of the committee so far as specific annual authorizations are concerned was increased significantly in 1959 by the enactment of section 412(b) of Public Law 86-149 which required annual congressional authorization of appropriations for the procurement of aircraft, missiles and naval vessels. That law was amended and expanded as follows:

- In 1962 (Public Law 88-436) to require similar authorization of appropriations for research, development, test, or evaluation associated with aircraft, missiles and naval vessels;
- In 1963 (Public Law 88-174) to require similar authorization of appropriations for all research, development, test, or evaluation carried on by the Department of Defense;
- In 1965 (Public Law 89-37) to require authorization of appropriations for the procurement of tracked combat vehicles;
- In 1967 (Public Law 90-168) to require annual authorization of the personnel strengths of each of the Selected Reserves of the Reserve components as a prior condition for the appropriation of funds for the pay and allowances for the Reserve components;
- In 1969 (Public Law 91-121) to require authorization of appropriations for the procurement of other weapons to or for the use of any armed force of the United States. (Essentially, heavy, medium, and light artillery, anti-aircraft artillery, rifles, machine-guns, mortars, small arms weapons, and any crew-fired piece using fixed ammunition);
- In 1970 (Public Law 91-441) to require authorization of appropriations to or for the use of the Navy for the procurement of torpedoes and related support equipment; and to require authorization of the average annual active duty personnel strength for each component of the Armed Forces as a condition precedent to the appropriation of funds for this purpose;
- In 1971 (Public Law 92-436) to require annual authorization for the average military training student loads for each component of the Armed Forces, and modified the provision relating to authorization for active duty personnel strength;
- In 1973 (Public Law 93-155) to require authorization for end strength civilian employment for each component of the Defense Department in each fiscal year;
- In 1975 (Public Law 94-106) to require the annual authorization of military construction of ammunition facilities;

- In 1980 (Public Law 96–342) to require the annual authorization of appropriations of funds for the operation and maintenance of any armed force of the activities and agencies of the Department of Defense (other than the military departments) for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 1981; and
- In 1982 (Public Law 97–86) to require the annual authorization of appropriations of funds for procurement of ammunition or other procurement for any armed force or for agencies of the Department of Defense (other than military departments).

Also, in 1973 these enactments were codified by section 803(a) of Public Law 93–155 into Title 10, United States Code, as section 138. Section 138 was amended on several occasions and, in 1986, was divided into two sections redesignated as sections 114 and 115 of title 10, United States Code, by the Goldwater-Nichols Department of Defense Reorganization Act of 1986 (Public Law 99–433). Both sections have subsequently been amended several times. The law today reads as follows:

§ 114. Annual authorization of appropriations

(a) No funds may be appropriated for any fiscal year to or for the use of any armed force or obligated or expended for—

- (1) procurement of aircraft, missiles, or naval vessels;
- (2) any research, development, test, or evaluation, or procurement or production related thereto;
- (3) procurement of tracked combat vehicles;
- (4) procurement of other weapons;
- (5) procurement of naval torpedoes and related support equipment;
- (6) military construction;
- (7) the operation and maintenance of any armed force or of the activities and agencies of the Department of Defense (other than the military departments);
- (8) procurement of ammunition; or
- (9) other procurement by any armed force or by the activities and agencies of the Department of Defense (other than the military departments); unless funds therefor have been specifically authorized by law.

(b) In subsection (a)(6), the term “military construction” includes any construction, development, conversion, or extension of any kind which is carried out with respect to any military facility or installation (including any Government-owned or Government-leased industrial facility used for the production of defense articles and any facility to which section 2353 of this title [10 USCS § 2353] applies), any activity to which section 2807 of this title [10 USCS § 2807] applies, any activity to which chapter 1803 of this title [10 USCS §§ 18231 et seq.] applies, and advances to the Secretary of Transportation for the construction of defense access roads under section 210 of title 23. Such term does not include any activity to which section 2821 or 2854 of this title [10 USCS § 2821 or § 2854] applies.

(c)(1) The size of the Special Defense Acquisition Fund established pursuant to chapter 5 of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2795 et seq.) may not exceed \$1,070,000,000.

(2) Notwithstanding section 37(a) of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2777(a)), amounts received by the United States pursuant to subparagraph (A) of section 21(a)(1) of that Act (22 U.S.C. 2761(a)(1))—

(A) shall be credited to the Special Defense Acquisition Fund established pursuant to chapter 5 of that Act (22 U.S.C. 2795 et seq.), as authorized by section 51(b)(1) of that Act (22 U.S.C. 2795(b)(1)), but subject to the limitation in paragraph (1) and other applicable law; and

(B) to the extent not so credited, shall be deposited in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts as provided in section 3302(b) of title 31.

(d) Funds may be appropriated for the armed forces for use as an emergency fund for research, development, test, and evaluation, or related procurement or production, only if the appropriation of the funds is authorized by law after June 30, 1966.

(e) In each budget submitted by the President to Congress under section 1105 of title 31, amounts requested for procurement of equipment for the reserve components of the armed forces (including the National Guard) shall be set forth separately from other amounts requested for procurement for the armed forces.

(f) In each budget submitted by the President to Congress under section 1105 of title 31, amounts requested for procurement of ammunition for the Navy and Marine Corps, and for procurement of ammunition for the Air Force, shall be set forth separately from other amounts requested for procurement.

§ 115. Personnel strengths: requirement for annual authorization

(a) Active-duty and Selected Reserve end strengths to be authorized by law. Congress shall authorize personnel strength levels for each fiscal year for each of the following:

(1) The end strength for each of the armed forces (other than the Coast Guard) for (A) active-duty personnel who are to be paid from funds appropriated for active-duty personnel unless on active duty pursuant to subsection (b), and (B) active-duty personnel and full-time National Guard duty personnel who are to be paid from funds appropriated for reserve personnel unless on active duty or full-time National Guard duty pursuant to subsection (b).

(2) The end strength for the Selected Reserve of each reserve component of the armed forces.

(b) Certain reserves on active duty to be authorized by law.

(1) Congress shall annually authorize the maximum number of members of a reserve component permitted to be on active duty or full-time National Guard duty at any given time who are called or ordered to—

(A) active duty under section 12301(d) of this title [10 USCS 12301(d)] for the purpose of providing operational support, as prescribed in regulation issued by the Secretary of Defense;

(B) full-time National Guard duty under section 502(f)(2) of title 32 for the purpose of providing operational support when authorized by the Secretary of Defense;

(C) active duty under section 12301(d) of this title [10 USCS § 12301(d)] or full-time National Guard duty under section 502(f)(2) of title 32 for the purpose of preparing for and performing funeral honors functions for funerals of veterans under section 1491 of this title [10 USCS § 1491];

(D) active duty or retained on active duty under sections 12301(g) of this title [10 USCS § 12301(g)] while in a captive status; or

(E) active duty or retained on active duty under 12301(h) or 12322 of this title [10 USCS § 12301(h) or 12322] for the purpose of medical evaluation or treatment.

(2) A member of a reserve component who exceeds either of the following limits shall be included in the strength authorized under subparagraph (A) or subparagraph (B), as appropriate, of subsection (a)(1):

(A) A call or order to active duty or full-time National Guard duty that specifies a period greater than three years.

(B) The cumulative periods of active duty and full-time National Guard duty performed by the member exceed 1095 days in the previous 1460 days.

(3) In determining the period of active service under paragraph (2), the following periods of active service performed by a member shall not be included:

(A) All periods of active duty performed by a member who has not previously served in the Selected Reserve of the Ready Reserve.

(B) All periods of active duty or full-time National Guard duty for which the member is exempt from strength accounting under paragraphs (1) through (8) of subsection (i).

(4) As part of the budget justification materials submitted by the Secretary of Defense to Congress in support of the end strength authorizations required under subparagraphs (A) and (B) of subsection (a)(1) for fiscal year 2009 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Secretary shall provide the following:

(A) The number of members, specified by reserve component, authorized under subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (1) who were serving on active duty or full-time National Guard duty for operational support beyond each of the limits specified under subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (2) at the end of the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which the budget justification materials are submitted.

(B) The number of members, specified by reserve component, on active duty for operational support who, at the end of the fiscal year for which the budget justification materials are submitted, are projected to be serving on active duty or full-time National Guard duty for operational support beyond such limits.

(C) The number of members, specified by reserve component, on active duty or full-time National Guard duty for operational support who are included in, and counted against, the end strength authorizations requested under subparagraphs (A) and (B) of subsection (a)(1).

- (D) A summary of the missions being performed by members identified under subparagraphs (A) and (B).
- (c) Limitation on appropriations for military personnel. No funds may be appropriated for any fiscal year to or for—
- (1) the use of active-duty personnel or full-time National Guard duty personnel of any of the armed forces (other than the Coast Guard) unless the end strength for such personnel of that armed force for that fiscal year has been authorized by law;
 - (2) the use of the Selected Reserve of any reserve component of the armed forces unless the end strength for the Selected Reserve of that component for that fiscal year has been authorized by law; or
 - (3) the use of reserve component personnel to perform active duty or full-time National Guard duty under subsection (b) unless the strength for such personnel for that reserve component for that fiscal year has been authorized by law.
- (d) Military technician (dual status) end strengths to be authorized by law. Congress shall authorize for each fiscal year the end strength for military technicians (dual status) for each reserve component of the Army and Air Force. Funds available to the Department of Defense for any fiscal year may not be used for the pay of a military technician (dual status) during that fiscal year unless the technician fills a position that is within the number of such positions authorized by law for that fiscal year for the reserve component of that technician. This subsection applies without regard to section 129 of this title [10 USCS § 129]. In each budget submitted by the President to Congress under section 1105 of title 31, the end strength requested for military technicians (dual status) for each reserve component of the Army and Air Force shall be specifically set forth.
- (e) End-of-quarter strength levels.
- (1) The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe and include in the budget justification documents submitted to Congress in support of the President's budget for the Department of Defense for any fiscal year the Secretary's proposed end-of-quarter strengths for each of the first three quarters of the fiscal year for which the budget is submitted, in addition to the Secretary's proposed fiscal-year end-strengths for that fiscal year. Such end-of-quarter strengths shall be submitted for each category of personnel for which end strengths are required to be authorized by law under subsection (a) or (d). The Secretary shall ensure that resources are provided in the budget at a level sufficient to support the end-of-quarter and fiscal-year end-strengths as submitted.
 - (2)(A) After annual end-strength levels required by subsections (a) and (d) are authorized by law for a fiscal year, the Secretary of Defense shall promptly prescribe end-of-quarter strength levels for the first three quarters of that fiscal year applicable to each such end-strength level. Such end-of-quarter strength levels shall be established for any fiscal year as levels to be achieved in meeting each of those annual end-strength levels authorized by law in accordance with subsection (a) (as

such levels may be adjusted pursuant to subsection (f) and subsection (d).

(B) At least annually, the Secretary of Defense shall establish for each of the armed forces (other than the Coast Guard) the maximum permissible variance of actual strength for an armed force at the end of any given quarter from the end-of-quarter strength established pursuant to subparagraph (A). Such variance shall be such that it promotes the maintaining of the strength necessary to achieve the end-strength levels authorized in accordance with subsection (a) (as adjusted pursuant to subsection (f) and subsection (d).

(3) Whenever the Secretary establishes an end-of-quarter strength level under subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2), or modifies a strength level under the authority provided in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2), the Secretary shall notify the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives of that strength level or of that modification, as the case may be.

(f) Authority for Secretary of Defense variances for active-duty and Selected Reserve strengths. Upon determination by the Secretary of Defense that such action is in the national interest, the Secretary may—

(1) increase the end strength authorized pursuant to subsection (a)(1)(A) for a fiscal year for any of the armed forces by a number equal to not more than 3 percent of that end strength;

(2) increase the end strength authorized pursuant to subsection (a)(1)(B) for a fiscal year for any of the armed forces by a number equal to not more than 2 percent of that end strength;

(3) vary the end strength authorized pursuant to subsection (a)(2) for a fiscal year for the Selected Reserve of any of the reserve components by a number equal to not more than 3 percent of that end strength; and

(4) increase the maximum strength authorized pursuant to subsection (b)(1) for a fiscal year for certain reserves on active duty for any of the reserve components by a number equal to not more than 10 percent of that strength.

(g) Authority for service Secretary variances for active-duty end strengths. Upon determination by the Secretary of a military department that such action would enhance manning and readiness in essential units or in critical specialties or ratings, the Secretary may increase the end strength authorized pursuant to subsection (a)(1)(A) for a fiscal year for the armed force under the jurisdiction of that Secretary or, in the case of the Secretary of the Navy, for any of the armed forces under the jurisdiction of that Secretary. Any such increase for a fiscal year—

(1) shall be by a number equal to not more than 2 percent of such authorized end strength; and

(2) shall be counted as part of the increase for that armed force for that fiscal year authorized under subsection (f)(1).

(h) Adjustment when Coast Guard is operating as a service in the Navy. The authorized strength of the Navy under subsection (a)(1) is increased by the authorized strength of the Coast Guard

during any period when the Coast Guard is operating as a service in the Navy.

(i) Certain personnel excluded from counting for active-duty end strengths. In counting personnel for the purpose of the end strengths authorized pursuant to subsection (a)(1), persons in the following categories shall be excluded:

(1) Members of a reserve component ordered to active duty under section 12301(a) of this title [10 USCS § 12301(a)].

(2) Members of a reserve component in an active status ordered to active duty under section 12301(b) of this title [10 USCS § 12301(b)].

(3) Members of the Ready Reserve ordered to active duty under section 12302 of this title [10 USCS § 12302].

(4) Members of the Selected Reserve of the Ready Reserve or members of the Individual Ready Reserve mobilization category described in section 10144(b) of this title [10 USCS § 10144(b)] ordered to active duty under section 12304 of this title [10 USCS § 12304].

(5) Members of the National Guard called into Federal service under section 12406 of this title [10 USCS § 12406].

(6) Members of the militia called into Federal service under chapter 15 of this title [10 USCS §§ 331 et seq.].

(7) Members of the National Guard on full-time National Guard duty under section 502(f)(1) of title 32.

(8) Members of reserve components on active duty for training or full-time National Guard duty for training.

(9) Members of the Selected Reserve of the Ready Reserve on active duty to support programs described in section 1203(b) of the Cooperative Threat Reduction Act of 1993 (22 U.S.C. 5952(b)).

(10) Members of the National Guard on active duty or full-time National Guard duty for the purpose of carrying out drug interdiction and counter-drug activities under section 112 of title 32.

(11) Members of a reserve component on active duty under section 10(b)(2) of the Military Selective Service Act (50 U.S.C. App. 460(b)(2)) for the administration of the Selective Service System.

(12) Members of the National Guard on full-time National Guard duty for the purpose of providing command, administrative, training, or support services for the National Guard Challenge Program authorized by section 509 of title 32.

(13) Members of the National Guard on full-time National Guard duty involuntarily and performing homeland defense activities under chapter 9 of title 32 [USCS §§ 901 et seq.].

KEY ACTIVITIES DURING THE 114TH CONGRESS

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016

The committee began the First Session of the 114th Congress with a series of oversight and review hearings and briefings on a variety of issues.

The committee's 9 full committee and 17 subcommittee hearings, with a total of 85 witnesses, on the President's budget request for national defense for fiscal year 2016 were structured to address the following committee priorities to:

- Ensure the long-term viability of the All-Volunteer Force by sustaining the quality of life of the men and women of the total force (Active Duty, National Guard and Reserves) and their families, as well as Department of Defense civilian personnel, through fair pay and enhanced retirement benefits, and by addressing the needs of the wounded, ill, and injured servicemembers and their families.

- Initiate a comprehensive overhaul of the acquisition system to ensure that our men and women in uniform have the advanced equipment they need to succeed in future combat against technologically sophisticated adversaries, in the most efficient and effective manner that provides best value to the taxpayers.

- Initiate a reorganization of the Department of Defense in order to focus limited resources on operations rather than administration, ensure military personnel can develop critical military skills, stabilize organizations and programs.

- Drive innovation by allocating funds for advanced technology development and next-generation capabilities.

- Build capacity and capability by reducing the strike fighter shortfall, munitions deficit, and increasing fleet capabilities.

- Advance our Nation's ability to protect our Eastern European friends and allies.

- Reduce our Nation's strategic risk by taking action aimed at restoring, as soon as possible, the readiness of the military services to conduct the full range of their assigned missions.

- Enhance the capability of the U.S. Armed Forces and the security forces of allied and friendly nations to defeat ISIL, al Qaeda, and other violent extremist organizations.

- Improve the ability of the Armed Forces to counter emerging and nontraditional threats, focusing on terrorism, cyber warfare, and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and their means of delivery.

- Address the threats from nuclear weapons and materials by strengthening nonproliferation programs, modernizing our nuclear deterrent, and ensuring the safety, security, and reliability of our nuclear stockpile, delivery systems, and infrastructure.

- Terminate troubled or unnecessary programs and activities, identify efficiencies, and reduce defense expenditures in light of the Nation's budget deficit problems.
- Ensure the future capability, viability, and fiscal sustainability of the All-Volunteer Force.
- Promote aggressive and thorough oversight of the Department's programs and activities to ensure proper stewardship of taxpayer dollars and compliance with relevant laws and regulations.

Following a 4-day markup in mid-May, the committee reported an original bill S. 1376, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016, to the Senate on May 19, 2015 with an accompanying report, S. Rept. 114-49.

Senate debate on the bill began on June 3, 2015 and concluded on June 18, 2015, with the resulting bill adopted as an amendment to H.R. 1735, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 as passed by the House of Representatives on May 15, 2015. During 12 days of floor debate, 621 were filed in the Senate and 70 amendments were adopted. On June 18, 2015, the Senate passed H.R. 1735, as amended, with a 71-25 vote.

The chairmen and ranking members of the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives reconciled provisions of H.R. 1735. The conference report was introduced as H. Rept. 114-270 and was considered and passed by the House of Representatives on October 1, 2015, by a vote of 270-156. The Senate considered the conference report as passed by the House and concurred on October 7, 2015, by a vote of 70-27.

The President vetoed H.R. 1735 on October 22, 2015.

Following the President's veto, the chairmen and ranking members of the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives engaged in a collaborative process with committee members to make adjustments to the conference report. The new legislation, S. 1356, was considered in the House and passed by a vote of 370-58 on November 5, 2015. The Senate considered and passed the legislation by a vote of 91-3 on November 10, 2015.

The President signed the legislation on November 25, 2015, and it became Public Law 114-92.

REVIEW OF THE GOLDWATER-NICHOLS ACT AND THE ORGANIZATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

During the 114th Congress, the committee conducted a comprehensive review of the roles, missions, and organization of the major actors in the Department of Defense (DOD)—the Office of the Secretary of Defense and the defense agencies, the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Joint Staff, the combatant commands, and the military services. This review was born out of a general concern that the organization of DOD too often inhibits, rather than enables, the talented people serving there to fulfill their duties at a time of major strategic and technological change. To produce a better, clearer definition of the problem, the committee held 13 hearings last fall with 52 of the nation's foremost defense experts and former military leaders, who offered a wide and diverse array of opinions and recommendations, drawing on their extensive experience. Committee staff, on a bipartisan basis, also interviewed dozens of additional current and former defense and military leaders.

As a result of this review, the committee included a number of provisions in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 designed to initiate a recalibration of the roles and missions of the senior officials in DOD, as well as their relationships with each other, to enhance strategic integration across the defense enterprise.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017

The committee began the Second Session of the 114th Congress with a series of oversight and review hearings and briefings on a variety of issues.

The committee's 8 full committee and 16 subcommittee hearings, with a total of 82 witnesses, on the President's budget request for national defense for fiscal year 2017 were structured to address the following committee priorities to:

- Ensure the long-term viability of the All-Volunteer Force by sustaining the quality of life of the men and women of the total force (Active Duty, National Guard and Reserves) and their families, as well as Department of Defense civilian personnel, through fair pay and retirement benefits, and by addressing the needs of the wounded, ill, and injured servicemembers and their families.
- Initiate a comprehensive reform of the military health system to improve and sustain operational medical force readiness, improve access to and quality of care, and expand beneficiaries' choices of health plans.
- Continue a comprehensive overhaul of the acquisition system to ensure that our men and women in uniform have the advanced equipment they need to succeed in future combat against technologically sophisticated adversaries, in the most efficient and effective manner that provides best value to the taxpayers.
- Improve the ability of the Department of Defense to develop strategies and integrate military power globally to confront national security threats spanning multiple regions of the world and numerous military functions.
- Drive innovation by allocating funds for advanced technology development and next-generation capabilities.
- Build capacity and capability by reducing the strike fighter shortfall, munitions deficit, and increasing fleet capabilities.
- Reduce our Nation's strategic risk by taking action aimed at restoring, as soon as possible, the readiness of the military services to conduct the full range of their assigned missions.
- Advance our ability to protect our Eastern European friends and allies.
- Enhance the capability of the U.S. Armed Forces and the security forces of allied and friendly nations to defeat ISIL, al Qaeda, and other violent extremist organizations.
- Improve the ability of the Armed Forces to counter emerging and nontraditional threats, focusing on terrorism, cyber warfare, and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and their means of delivery.
- Address the threats from nuclear weapons and materials by strengthening nonproliferation programs, modernizing our nuclear deterrent, and ensuring the safety, security, and reliability of our nuclear stockpile, delivery systems, and infrastructure.

- Terminate troubled or unnecessary programs and activities, identify efficiencies, and reduce defense expenditures in light of the Nation's budget deficit problems.

- Promote aggressive and thorough oversight of the Department's programs and activities to ensure proper stewardship of taxpayer dollars and compliance with relevant laws and regulations.

Following a 4-day markup in mid-May, the committee reported as an original bill S. 2943, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017, to the Senate on May 18, 2016 with an accompanying report, S. Rept. 114–225. Senate debate on the bill began on June 6, 2016 and concluded on June 10, 2016. During 5 days of floor debate, 614 amendments were filed in the Senate and 44 amendments were adopted. On June 14, 2016 the Senate passed the bill with an 85–13 vote.

The chairmen and ranking members of the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives reconciled provisions of H.R. 4909, as passed by the House of Representatives on May 18, 2016, and S. 2943, as passed by the Senate.

The conference report was introduced as H. Rept. 114–840 and was considered and passed by the House of Representatives on December 2, 2016, by a vote of 375–34. The Senate considered the conference report as passed by the House and concurred on December 8, 2016, by a vote of 92–7.

The President signed the legislation on December 23, 2016, and it became Public Law 114–328.

**SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES
DURING THE 114TH CONGRESS**

	1 st Session	2 nd Session	Total
National Defense Authorization Acts			
Days in markup	4	4	8
Days on floor	12	5	17
Amendments disposed of	70	44	114
Roll call votes	8	3	11
Hearings and Other Meetings	114	84	198
Full Committee	84	52	136
Airland Subcommittee	3	5	8
Emerging Threats and Capabilities Subcommittee	4	7	11
Personnel Subcommittee	3	4	7
Readiness and Management Support Subcommittee	5	5	10
Seapower Subcommittee	6	5	11
Strategic Subcommittee	9	6	15
Nominations	15,978	17,200	33,178
Civilian	24	8	32
Military (total)	15,954	17,192	33,146
Army	5,214	4,159	9,373
Navy	3,936	4,403	8,339
Marine Corps	1,070	1,243	2,313
Air Force	5,734	7,387	13,121
Bills and Joint Resolutions	54	48	102
Referred to Committee	53	47	100
Original from Committee	1	1	2
Reported / Discharged	2	1	3
Passed Senate	1	1	2
Became Public Law	1	1	2

FULL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

1. January 6, 2015—Informal meeting to discuss the committee agenda.
Closed. Not recorded.
2. January 7, 2015—Informal briefing on the North Korea attack on Sony Pictures Entertainment.
Briefers: Rosenbach and Rogers.
Closed. Not recorded.
3. January 21, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on global challenges and U.S. national security strategy.
Witnesses: Scowcroft, Brzezinski.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–485).
4. January 22, 2015—Briefing on training and equipping the vetted Syrian opposition.
Briefers: Nagata, Spence.
Closed. To be printed.
5. January 27, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on global challenges and U.S. national security strategy.
Witnesses: Mattis, Keane, Fallon.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–485).
6. January 28, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the Budget Control Act of 2011 and sequestration on national security.
Witnesses: Odierno, Greenert, Welsh, Dunford.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–46).
7. January 28, 2015—Executive session in the President’s Room near the Senate floor to consider military nominations.
Closed. Not recorded.
8. January 29, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on global challenges and the U.S. national security strategy.
Witnesses: Kissinger, Shultz, Albright.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–485).
9. January 29, 2015—Executive session in the President’s Room near the Senate floor to approve S. Res. 53, a funding resolution authorizing expenditures for the Committee during the 114th Congress.
Closed. Not recorded.
10. February 3, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the findings of the Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission.
Witnesses: Maldo, Jr., Pressler, Buyer, Zakheim, Higgins, Chiarelli, Kerrey, Carney.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–28).
11. February 3, 2015—Met informally with His Majesty King Abdullah II of Jordan to discuss the situation in Jordan, Syria, and the broader Middle East.

- Closed. Not recorded.
12. February 4, 2015—Hearing to consider the nomination of Ashton B. Carter to be Secretary of Defense.
Witnesses: Carter.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–567).
13. February 5, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the Guantanamo Detention Facility and the future of U.S. detention policy.
Witnesses: McKeon, Rasmussen, Myers.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–396).
14. February 5, 2015—The Committee met in open session to vote via roll to favorably report out the nomination of Dr. Ashton B. Carter to be Secretary of Defense (PN 1). The vote tally was 26–0, all in the affirmative.
Open. To be printed.—part of the hearing on same day.
15. February 10, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on global challenges and U.S. national security strategy.
Witnesses: Edelman, Flournoy.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–64).
16. February 11, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the situation in Afghanistan.
Witnesses: Cunningham, Crocker, Olson, Leiter.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–354).
17. February 12, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the situation in Afghanistan.
Witnesses: Campbell.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–354).
18. February 12, 2015—Met to mark up S.165, the Detaining Terrorists to protect America Act of 2015.
Closed. To be printed.
19. February 24, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on world-wide threats.
Witnesses: Clepper, Stewart.
Closed. To be printed.
20. February 26, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on world-wide threats.
Witnesses: Clapper, Stewart.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–300).
21. March 3, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.
Witnesses: Carter, Dempsey.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).
22. March 10, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the posture of the Department of the Navy in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.
Witnesses: Mabus, Greenert, Dunford.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).
23. March 12, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on U.S. Northern Command and U.S. Southern Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.
Witnesses: Gortney, Kelly.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

24. March 17, 2015—Briefing on cyber, space and strategic competition with China and Russia in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Briefers: Haney, Rogers, Hyten.

Closed. To be printed.

25. March 17, 2015—Met informally in closed session with the Ambassador of Saudi Arabia, H.E. Adel bin Ahmed Al-Jubeir, and the Ambassador of the United Arab Emirates, Yousef Al Otaiba.

Closed. Not recorded.

26. March 18, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the postures of the Department of the Army and the Department of the Air Force in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: McHugh, James, Odierno, Welsh.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

27. March 19, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on U.S. Strategic Command, U.S. Transportation Command, and U.S. Cyber Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Haney, Selva, Rogers.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

28. March 24, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on United States Middle East Policy.

Witnesses: Takeyh, Pollack, Harvey, Rand.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–350).

29. March 24, 2015—Executive session in the President’s Room near the Senate floor to consider military nominations.

Closed. Not recorded.

30. March 25, 2015—Met informally with Afghan President, Ashraf Ghani, and Chief Executive Officer, Abdullah Abdullah, to discuss the way forward in Afghanistan.

Closed. Not recorded.

31. March 26, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on U.S. Central Command, U.S. Africa Command and U.S. Special Operations Command programs and budget in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Austin, Rodriguez, Votel.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

32. April 14, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on U.S. defense policy issues pertaining to the Asia-Pacific theater.

Witnesses: Allison, Campbell, Green, Roughead.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–217).

33. April 16, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on U.S. Pacific Command and U.S. Forces Korea in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Locklear, Scaparotti.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

34. April 16, 2015—Met informally with Iraqi Defense Minister, Khaled Obeidi.

Closed. Not recorded.

35. April 21, 2015—Hearing to consider the nomination of Peter K. Levine to be Deputy Chief Management Officer, Department of Defense.

Witness: Levine.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–567).

36. April 23, 2015—Executive session to consider matters related to the markup of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016.

Closed. Not recorded.

37. April 28, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on United States security policy in Europe.

Witnesses: Stavridis, Brzezinski, Sestanovich.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–218).

38. April 30, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on United States European Command programs and budget in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Breedlove.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

39. May 6, 2015—Met informally with President Masoud Barzani of the Iraqi Kurdistan Region.

Closed. Not recorded.

40. May 12, 2015—Met informally with HH Sheikh Tamin Bin Hamad All-Thani, Amir of the State of Qatar.

Closed. Not recorded.

41. May 13, 2015—Met to begin mark up on the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2016.

Closed. Not printed.

42. May 14, 2014—Met to continue mark-up on the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2016.

Closed. Not printed.

43. May 19, 2015—Meeting to discuss a restricted portion of the classified annex to the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2016.

Closed. Not recorded.

44. May 21, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on United States policy in Iraq and Syria.

Witnesses: Keane, Kagan, Harvey, Katulis.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–342).

45. July 7, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on Counter-ISIL (Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant) strategy.

Witnesses: Carter, Dempsey.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–342).

46. July 9, 2015—Hearing to consider the nomination of General Joseph F. Dunford, Jr., USMC, to be Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Witness: Dunford.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–567).

47. July 14, 2015—Hearing to consider the nominations of General Paul J. Selva, USAF, to be Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and General Darren W. McDew, USAF, to be commander, U.S. Transportation Command.

Witnesses: Selva, McDew.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–567).

48. July 21, 2015—Hearing to consider the nomination of General Mark A. Milley, USA, to be Chief of Staff of the Army.

Witness: Milley.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–567).

49. July 23, 2015—Hearing to consider the nomination of Lieutenant General Robert B. Neller, USMC, to be General and Commandant of the Marine Corps.

Witnesses: Neller.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–567).

50. July 29, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the impacts of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) on U.S. interests and the military balance in the Middle East.

Witnesses: Kerry, Carter, Lew, Moniz, Dempsey.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–357).

51. July 30, 2015—Hearing to consider the nomination of Admiral John M. Richardson, USN, to be Chief of Naval Operations.

Witness: Richardson.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–567).

52. August 4, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the impacts of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) on U.S. interests and the military balance in the Middle East.

Witnesses: Hayden, Burns, Edelman, Haass.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–357).

53. August 5, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the impacts of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) on U.S. interests and the military balance in the Middle East.

Witnesses: Mead, Singh, Takeyh, Gordon, Nephew.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–357).

54. September 16, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on U.S. military operations to counter the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant.

Witnesses: Wormuth, Austin.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–342).

55. September 17, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on maritime security strategy in the Asia-Pacific region.

Witnesses: Harris, Shear.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–214).

56. September 22, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on United States Middle East Policy.

Witness: Petraeus.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–350).

57. September 29, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on United States Cybersecurity policy and threats.

Witnesses: Clapper, Work, Rogers.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–398).

58. October 1, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the procurement, acquisition, testing, and oversight of the Navy's *Gerald R. Ford*-class aircraft carrier program.

Witnesses: McFarland, Stackley, Gaddis, Moore, Manazir, Gilmore, Francis.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–302).

59. October 6, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the situation in Afghanistan.

Witnesses: Campbell.

- Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–354).
60. October 7, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on Iranian influence in Iraq and the Case of Camp Liberty.
Witnesses: Jones, Lieberman, Martin.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–301).
61. October 7, 2015—To receive a briefing on the situation in Syria.
Closed. Not recorded.
62. October 8, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on Russian strategy and military operations.
Witnesses: Keane, Jones, Conley, Sestanovich.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–314).
63. October 21, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the future of defense reform.
Witness: Gates.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–315).
64. October 22, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on global challenges, U.S. national security strategy, and defense organization.
Witnesses: Cohen, Mahnken, Mead, Hicks.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–485).
65. October 27, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on United States military strategy in the Middle East.
Witnesses: Carter, Dunford.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–350).
66. October 29, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on U alternative approaches to defense strategy and force structure.
Witnesses: Donnelly, Brimley, Krepinevich, Preble, Wood.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–209).
67. November 3, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the future of warfare.
Witnesses: Alexander, Clark, Scharre, Singer.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–211).
68. November 5, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on revisiting the roles and missions of the armed forces.
Witnesses: Deptula, Martinage, McGrath, O'Hanlon.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–527).
69. November 10, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on 30 years of Goldwater-Nichols reform.
Witnesses: Hamre, Locher III, Thomas.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–316).
70. November 17, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on Department of Defense reform—overcoming obstacles to effective management.
Witnesses: Walker, Punaro, Spencer, Bisaccia.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–391).
71. November 18, 2015—Met informally with General Raheel Sharif, Chief of Army Staff of the Pakistan Army.
Closed. Not recorded.
72. November 19, 2015—Hearing to consider the nominations of Mr. John Conger to be Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller); Mr. Stephen P. Welby to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering; Ms. Alissa M. Starzak to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army; Mr.

Franklin R. Parker to be Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Manpower and Reserve Affairs.

Witnesses: Conger, Welby, Starzack, Parker.

Open. To be printed.

73. November 19, 2015—Executive session in the President's Room near the Senate floor to consider military nominations.

Closed. Not recorded.

74. December 1, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on acquisition reform: next steps.

Witnesses: Gansler, Augustine, Fitzgerald, Ward.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–394).

75. December 2, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on Department of defense personnel reform and strengthening the All-Volunteer force.

Witnesses: Chu, Rostker, Hale, Roughead.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–321).

76. December 3, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on supporting the warfighter of today and tomorrow.

Witnesses: Donley, Flynn, Jones.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–216).

77. December 7, 2015—Executive session in the President's Room near the Senate floor to consider military and civilian nominations.

Closed. Not recorded.

78. December 8, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on improving the Pentagon's development of policy, strategy, and plans.

Witnesses: Flournoy, Vickers, Eggers.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–395).

79. December 9, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on U.S. strategy to counter Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant and U.S. policy toward Iraq and Syria.

Witnesses: Carter, Selva.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–342).

80. December 9, 2015—Hearing to consider the nominations of Honorable Marcel J. Lettre II to be Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence; Mr. Gabriel O. Camarillo to be Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Reserve Affairs; Mr. John E. Sparks to be a Judge on the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces; and Vice Admiral Kurt W. Tidd, USN to be admiral and Commander, United States Southern Command.

Witnesses: Lettre, Camarillo, Sparks, Tidd.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–567).

81. December 9, 2015—Met informally with Mr. Manohar Parrikar, Union Minister of Defence, India.

Closed. Not recorded.

82. December 10, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on increasing effectiveness of military operations.

Witnesses: Schwartz, Stavridis, Lamb.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–540).

83. December 15, 2015—Hearing to consider the nominations of Honorable Patrick J. Murphy to be Under Secretary of the Army; Dr. Janine Anne Davidson to be Under Secretary of the Navy; and Honorable Lisa S. Disbrow to be Under Secretary of the Air Force.

Witnesses: Murphy, Davidson, Disbrow.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–567).

84. December 18, 2015—Executive session in the President's Room near the Senate floor to consider the nominations of Honorable Patrick J. Murphy to be Under Secretary of the Army; Dr. Janine Anne Davidson to be Under Secretary of the Navy; and Honorable Lisa S. Disbrow to be Under Secretary of the Air Force.
Closed. Not recorded.
85. January 12, 2016—Met informally with His Majesty King Abdullah II Ibn Al Hussein of Jordan.
Closed. Not recorded.
86. January 20, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on U.S. strategy and policy in the Middle East.
Witnesses: Keane, Crocker, Gordon.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–589).
87. January 21, 2016—Hearing to consider the nomination of Honorable Eric K. Fanning to be Secretary of the Army.
Witnesses: Fanning.
Open. To be printed.
88. January 27, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on military space launch and the use of Russian-made rocket engines.
Witnesses: Kendall, James.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–608).
89. January 28, 2016—Hearing to consider the nomination of Lieutenant General John W. Nicholson Jr., USA to be general and Commander, Resolute Support and Commander, United States Forces-Afghanistan.
Witnesses: Nicholson.
Open. To be printed.
90. February 2, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the implementation of the decision to open all ground combat units to women.
Witnesses: Mabus, Murphy, Milley, Neller.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–590).
91. February 3, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on an independent perspective of U.S. defense policy in the Asia-Pacific region.
Witnesses: Green, Conant.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–600).
92. February 4, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the situation in Afghanistan.
Witnesses: Campbell.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–601).
93. February 9, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on world-wide threats.
Witnesses: Clapper, Stewart.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–626).
94. February 11, 2016—Executive session to discuss this year's (2016) agenda and to provide an update on the markup and floor schedule for the National defense Authorization Act for Fiscal year 2017.
Closed. Not recorded.
95. February 11, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the Future of the United States Army in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Ham, Lamont, Thurman, Chandler.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).

96. February 23, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on U.S. Pacific Command and U.S. Forces Korea in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Harris, Scaparrotti.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).

97. February 25, 2016—Hearing to consider the nominations of Honorable Brad R. Carson to be Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness; Ms. Jennifer M. O'Connor to be General Counsel of the Department of Defense; and Mr. Todd A. Weiler to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Reserve Affairs.

Witnesses: Carson, O'Connor, Weiler.

Open. To be printed.

98. March 1, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on United States European Command.

Witnesses: Breedlove.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–649).

99. March 3, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the posture of the Department of the Air Force in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: James, Welsh.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).

100. March 8, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on United States Central Command, United States Africa Command and United States Special Operations Command.

Witnesses: Austin, Rodriguez, Votel.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–650).

101. March 9, 2016—Hearing to consider the nominations of General Joseph L. Votel, USA for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States Central Command; and Lieutenant General Raymond A. Thomas III, USA to be general and Commander, United States Special Operations Command.

Witnesses: Votel, Thomas.

Open. To be printed.

102. March 10, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on United States Strategic Command, United States Northern Command, and United States Southern Command programs and budget in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Haney, Gortney, Tidd.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).

103. March 15, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the posture of the Department of the Navy in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Mabus, Richardson, Neller.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).

104. March 17, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the Department of Defense budget posture in review of the Defense Au-

thorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Carter, McCord, Dunford.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).

105. March 17, 2016—Met informally with the UK House of Commons Defence Committee.

Closed. Not recorded.

106. April 5, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on United States Cyber Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense.

Witnesses: Rogers.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).

107. April 6, 2016—Met informally with NATO Secretary General, Jens Stoltenberg.

Closed. Not recorded.

108. April 6, 2016—Briefing receive a briefing on the report of the Military Justice Review Group.

Witnesses: Effron, Sullivan Closed. Not recorded.

109. April 7, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the posture of the Department of the Army in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Murphy, Milley.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).

110. April 19, 2016—Hearing to consider the nomination of General Vincent K. Brooks, USA for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United Nations Command/Combined Forces Command/United States Forces Korea.

Witnesses: Brooks.

Open. To be printed.

111. April 21, 2016—Hearing to consider the nomination of General Curtis M. Scaparrotti, USA for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States European Command and Supreme Allied Commander, Europe; and General Lori J. Robinson, USAF for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States Northern Command/Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command.

Witnesses: Scaparrotti, Robinson.

Open. To be printed.

112. April 26, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the F–35 Joint Strike Fighter program in review of the Defense Authorization Request for 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Kendall, Gilmore, Bogdan, Sullivan.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).

113. April 27, 2016—Briefing on the Syria Train and Equip Program.

Witnesses: Slotkin, Kurilla, Gonzales.

Closed. Not Recorded.

114. April 28, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on counter-ISIL (Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant) operations and Middle East strategy.

Witnesses: Carter, Dunford.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–647).

115. May 11, 2016—Met to begin mark-up on the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2017.

Closed. Not printed.

116. May 12, 2016—Met to continue mark-up on the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2017.

Closed. Not printed.

117. May 19, 2016—The committee met informally to receive a briefing on the Campaign in Iraq and Syria.

Witnesses: Jones, Wolters, Whelan.

Closed. Not recorded.

118. May 24, 2016—The committee met in executive session to favorably report out 2,279 pending military nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps. The committee also moved by voice vote to favorably report out the classified annex to accompany the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017.

Closed. Not recorded.

119. June 15, 2016—Met informally with the Deputy Crown Prince and Defense Minister of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Mohammed bin Salman Al Saud.

Closed. Not recorded.

120. June 16, 2016—Hearing to consider the nomination of General David L. Goldfein, USAF for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Chief of Staff, United States Air Force.

Witness: Goldfein.

Open. To be printed.

121. June 21, 2016—Hearing to consider the nominations of Lieutenant General Thomas D. Waldhauser, USMC to be general and Commander, United States Africa Command, and Lieutenant General Joseph L. Lengyel, ANG to be general and Chief of the National Guard Bureau.

Witnesses: Waldhauser, Lengyel.

Open. To be printed.

122. June 28, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on improving strategic integration at the Department of Defense.

Witnesses: Locher III, McChrystal, Edmondson.

Open. To be printed.

123. July 7, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Russia, and European Security.

Witnesses: Jones, Burns, Smith.

Open. To be printed.

124. July 12, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on national security cyber and encryption challenges.

Witness: Rogers.

Closed. Not Printed.

125. July 13, 2016—Met informally with members and conferees of the House Armed Services Committee to participate in a pass the gavel ceremony as well as to engage in a Conference general provisions Panel meeting for S. 2943, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017.

Closed. Not recorded.

126. July 13, 2016—Met informally to receive a briefing on the Fiscal Year 2016 Omnibus Reprogramming request.

Witness: McCord.

- Closed. Not recorded.
127. July 14, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on cybersecurity and U.S. national security.
Witnesses: Wainstein, Vance, Jr., Inglis.
Closed. To be printed.
128. September 13, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on encryption and cyber matters.
Witnesses: Lettre, Rogers.
Open. To be printed.
129. September 15, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on long-term budgetary challenges facing the military services and innovative solutions for maintaining our military superiority.
Witnesses: Milley, Richardson, Neller, Goldfein.
Open. To be printed.
130. September 19, 2016—Hearing to consider the nomination of General John E. Hyten, USAF for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States Strategic Command.
Witness: Hyten.
Open. To be printed.
131. September 22, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on U.S. national security challenges and ongoing military operations.
Witnesses: Carter, Dunford.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–687).
132. September 27, 2016—Briefing on national security cyber threats.
Witnesses: Carter, Dunford.
Closed. Not Recorded.
133. November 29, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on Department of Defense actions concerning voluntary education programs.
Witnesses: Levine, Barna, Bilodeau.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–619).
134. December 1, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the oversight, acquisition, testing, and employment of the Littoral Combat Ship (LCS) and LCS mission module programs.
Witnesses: Gilmore, Stackley, Rowden, Francis.
Open. To be printed.
135. December 6, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on emerging U.S. defense challenges and worldwide threats.
Witnesses: Keane, Brimley, Kagan.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–626).
136. December 8, 2016—Met informally with the Baltic Delegation.
Closed. Not recorded.

SUBCOMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

SUBCOMMITTEE ON AIRLAND

Responsibilities: Army programs (less special operations forces); Air Force programs (less strategic forces, space, and special operations programs).

Special additional area: National Guard and Reserve equipment.

Oversight of budget accounts: Army and Air Force research and development (RDT&E) and procurement (less technology base, strategic forces, special operations, and ammunition);

Membership:

January 16, 2015—Senators Cotton (Chair), Inhofe, Sessions, Wicker, Rounds, Ernst, Sullivan, Lee, Manchin (Ranking Member), McCaskill, Gillibrand, Blumenthal, Donnelly, Hirono, and Heinrich.

Meetings:

1. March 19, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on Air Force force structure and modernization in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: LaPlante, Wolters, Holmes.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

2. April 14, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on Army modernization in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Williamson, McMaster, Ierardi, Cheek.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

3. May 11, 2015—Met to mark up the airland portions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016.

Closed. To be printed.

4. March 1, 2016—To receive a briefing on the Air Force Long Range Strike-Bomber.

Witnesses: Bunch, Walden, Bailey.

Closed. Will not be printed.

5. March 8, 2016—To receive testimony on Air Force Modernization in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Costello, Bunch, Holmes, Raymond.

Open. To be printed.

6. March 16, 2016—To receive testimony on Army Unmanned Aircraft Vehicle and Air Force Remotely Piloted Aircraft Enterprises in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Perkins, Carlisle, Farrell.

Open. To be printed.

7. April 5, 2016—To receive testimony on Army Modernization in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense.

Witnesses: Williamson, McMaster, Anderson, Murray.

Open. To be printed.

8. May 9, 2016—Met to mark up the airland portions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017.

Closed. To be printed.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EMERGING THREATS AND CAPABILITIES

Responsibilities: Policies and programs related to cyber security, intelligence, counter-terrorism, and homeland security.

Special additional areas: counter-narcotics, technology base and special operations.

Oversight of budget accounts: Technology base RDT&E; operational test and evaluation; RDT&E and procurement supporting special operations; counterdrug programs; RDT&E supporting low-intensity conflict, peacekeeping operations, and information warfare; combating terrorism; chemical and biological warfare defense; chemical demilitarization; train and equip programs.

Oversight of DOD offices: Under Secretary of Defense (Intelligence); Assistant Secretary of Defense (Homeland Defense); Assistant Secretary of Defense (Special Operations and Low-Intensity Conflict); and Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering.

Oversight of DOD commands and agencies: Cyber Command; Special Operations Command; Northern Command; Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency; National Security Agency; Defense Intelligence Agency; National Reconnaissance Office; National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency.

Membership:

January 16, 2015—Senators Fischer (Chair), Ayotte, Cotton, Ernst, Tillis, Graham, Cruz, Nelson (Ranking Member), Manchin, Shaheen, Gillibrand, Donnelly, and Kaine.

Meetings:

1. March 10, 2015—Briefing on Iran's Military and Intelligence Activities and Impact on Regional Security.

Briefers: Fantini, Visconi, Wunderle, Tsou, Smith.

Closed. To be printed.

2. April 14, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on military cyber programs and posture in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Rosenbach, McLaughlin, Cardon, Tighe, Wilson, O'Donohue.

Open & Closed. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

3. April 21, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on Department of Defense policy and programs to counter threats to the United States from terrorism and irregular warfare.

Witnesses: Lumpkin, Howell.

Open & Closed. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–576).

4. May 12, 2015—Met to mark up the emerging threats portions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016.
Open. To be printed.
5. February 3, 2016—To receive a briefing on Counterterrorism Strategy: Understanding ISIL.
Witnesses: Not publically named.
Closed. To be printed.
6. February 24, 2016—To receive a briefing on Iran’s intelligence and unconventional military capabilities.
Witnesses: Exum, Maier, Kurilla, Gonzales.
Closed. To be printed.
7. March 9, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the Department of Defense security cooperation and assistance programs and authorities.
Witnesses: Eggers, Dalton, McNerney.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–655).
8. March 16, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the Department of Defense’s global counterterrorism strategy.
Witnesses: Whelan, Kurilla.
Closed. To be printed.
9. April 12, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the strategy and implementation of the Department of Defense’s technology offsets initiative in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.
Witnesses: Welby, Prabhakar, Roper.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).
10. April 19, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on cybersecurity and United States Cyber Command in review of the National Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.
Witnesses: Atkin, McLaughlin.
Closed. To be printed.
11. May 10, 2016—Met to mark up the emerging threats portions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017.
Open. To be printed.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL

Responsibilities: Military and DOD civilian personnel policies; end strengths for military personnel; military personnel compensation and benefits; military health care; and military nominations.

Special additional areas: Professional Military Education; DOD schools; DOD child care and family assistance; Civil-military programs; POW/MIA issues; Armed Forces Retirement Home; Morale, Welfare and Recreation; and military commissaries and exchanges.

Oversight of budget accounts: Military personnel; military retirement; Defense Health Program; DOD Medicare-Eligible Retiree Health Care Fund; and operation and maintenance for certain education and civil-military programs.

Oversight of DOD offices: Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel & Readiness); Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs); Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs)

Oversight of DOD agencies: Defense Health Agency; Defense Commissary Agency; and Uniformed Services University of the

Health Sciences; Defense Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Accounting Agency.

Membership:

January 16, 2015—Senators Graham (Chair), Wicker, Cotton, Tillis, Sullivan, Gillibrand (Ranking Member), McCaskill, Blumenthal, and King.

Meetings:

1. February 11, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the retirement and compensation proposals of the Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission.

Witnesses: Maldon Jr., Pressler, Zakheim, Higgins, Chiarelli, Giambastiani, Frank, Holleman, Jones, Nicholson.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–28).

2. February 25, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the healthcare proposals of the Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission.

Witnesses: Maldon, Jr., Buyer, Higgins, Chiarelli, Giambastiani, Jr., Raezer, Ryan, Jr., Snee, Hargett, Jr.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–28).

3. May 12, 2015—Met to mark up the personnel portions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016.

Open. To be printed.

4. February 23, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on Defense Health Care Reform.

Witnesses: Loftus, Fendrick, McIntyre, Whitley, Woodson, Bono, Ediger, West, Faison.

Open. To be printed.

5. March 8, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on Military Personnel Posture in Review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: McConville, Moran, Brilakis, Grosso, Roth-Douquet, Raezer, Bousum, Davis.

Open. To be printed.

6. March 8, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the current state of research, diagnosis, and treatment for post-traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injury.

Witnesses: Greenhalgh, Colston, Street.

Open. To be printed.

7. May 10, 2016—Met to mark up the personnel portions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).

SUBCOMMITTEE ON READINESS AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

Responsibilities: Military readiness including training, logistics, and maintenance; military construction; housing construction and privatization; contracting and acquisition policy; business and financial management; base realignment and closure; and defense environmental programs.

Special additional areas: Conventional ammunition procurement; RDT&E infrastructure; National Defense Stockpile; defense indus-

trial and technology base policies; facility and housing maintenance and repair; land and property management; information technology management policy (excluding cyber); and industrial operations, including depots, shipyards, arsenals, and ammunition plants.

Oversight of budget accounts: Operations and maintenance; conventional ammunition procurement; military construction and family housing; base realignment and closure; working capital funds; the National Defense Stockpile Transaction Fund;

Oversight of DOD offices: Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics); Department of Defense Deputy Chief Management Officer; and the Chief Management Officers of the military departments.

Oversight of DOD agencies and commands: Defense Logistics Agency; Defense Finance and Accounting Service; Defense Investigative Service; Defense Contract Audit Agency; DOD Inspector General.

Membership:

January 16, 2015—Senators Ayotte (Chair), Inhofe, Fischer, Rounds, Ernst, Lee, Kaine (Ranking Member), McCaskill, Shaheen, Hirono, and Heinrich.

Meetings:

1. March 11, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on military construction, environmental, energy, and base closure programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Conger, Hammack, McGinn, Bellentine.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

2. March 25, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the current state of readiness of U.S. forces in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Allyn, Howard, Paxton, Spencer.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

3. April 22, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on reform of the defense acquisition system in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Shyu, Stackley, LaPlante.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

4. May 12, 2015—Met to mark up the readiness portions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016.

Open. To be printed.

5. July 29, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on receive testimony on best practices at public and private shipyards.

Witnesses: Bagley, O'Connor.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–210).

6. January 20, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on oversight of Task Force for Business and Stability Operations projects in Afghanistan.

Witnesses: McKeon, Sopko.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–630).

7. March 15, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the current state of readiness of U.S. forces in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Allyn, Howard, Paxton, Goldfein.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).

8. April 5, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the state of public shipyards to meet current mission needs and investment strategies to support future national security requirements in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Hilarides, Smith.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).

9. April 12, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on military construction, environmental, energy, and base closure programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Potochney, Hammack, McGinn, Ballentine.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).

10. May 10, 2016—Met to mark up the readiness portions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017.

Open. To be printed.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SEAPOWER

Responsibilities: Navy and Marine Corps programs.

Special additional areas: Maritime issues.

Oversight of budget accounts: Navy and Marine Corps procurement and RDT&; and National Defense Sealift Fund.

Membership:

January 16, 2015—Senators Wicker (Chair), Sessions, Ayotte, Rounds, Tillis, Sullivan, Cruz, Hirono (Ranking Member), Nelson, Shaheen, Blumenthal, Kaine, and King.

Meetings:

1. March 11, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on Marine Corps ground modernization in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Dee, Glueck.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

2. March 18, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on Navy shipbuilding programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Stackley, Hilarides, Mulloy.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

3. March 25, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on Navy and Marine Corps aviation programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Grosklags, Davis, Manazir.

Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

4. April 15, 2015—Briefing on the major threats facing Navy forces and the Navy’s current and projected capabilities to meet those threats in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.
Briefers: Werchado, Aucoin, Palmieri.
Closed. Not recorded.
5. May 12, 2015—Met to mark up the seapower portions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016.
Closed. To be printed.
6. November 18, 2015—Briefing on undersea critical infrastructure protection.
Briefers: Williams, McLellan, Wales, Guinn.
Closed. To be printed.
7. April 6, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on Navy ship-building programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.
Witnesses: Stackley, Mulloy, Walsh.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).
8. April 13, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on Marine Corps ground modernization in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.
Witnesses: Dee, Walsh.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).
9. April 20, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on Navy and Marine Corps aviation programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.
Witnesses: Grosklags, Davis, Manazir.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–658).
10. May 10, 2016—Met to mark up the seapower portions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017.
Closed. To be printed.
11. July 14, 2016—Met informally with members and conferees of the House Armed Services Committee’s Seapower & Projection Forces Subcommittee to participate in a Seapower Conference Panel Meeting for S. 2943, FY17 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA).
Closed. Not recorded.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC FORCES

Responsibilities: Nuclear and strategic forces; non-proliferation programs; space programs; Department of Energy defense nuclear, and defense environmental management programs; and ballistic missile defense.

Oversight of budget accounts: Procurement and RDT&E for DOD nuclear and strategic forces, missile defense, space systems, Department of Energy defense and non-proliferation programs;

Oversight of DOD and DOE officials: Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear and Chemical and Biological Defense Programs; National Nuclear Security Administration; and Assistant Secretary of Energy (Environmental Management).

Oversight of agencies, commands, and activities: Strategic Command; space commands of the military departments; Missile De-

fense Agency; National Nuclear Security Administration; and Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board; Defense Threat Reduction Agency.

Membership:

January 16, 2015—Senators Sessions (Chair), Inhofe, Fischer, Lee, Graham, Cruz, Donnelly (Ranking Member), Nelson, Manchin, King, and Heinrich.

Meetings:

1. February 11, 2015—Briefing on world-wide nuclear capabilities.

Briefers: Wade, Leon III, Taylor, Breedlove, Williams, Boone.
Closed. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

2. February 25, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on regional nuclear dynamics

Witnesses: Krepinevich, Kroenig, Perkovich, Tellis.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–429).

3. March 4, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on U.S. nuclear weapons policy, programs, and strategy in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Kendall III, McKeon, Elliott, Haney, Klotz.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

4. March 12, 2015—Briefing on missile defense programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Briefers: Syring, Bunn, Gortney.
Closed. To be printed.

5. March 25, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on ballistic missile defense programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Syring, Mann, McKeon, Gilmore.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

6. April 15, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on the National Nuclear Security Administration plans and programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Klotz, Cook, Harrington, Richardson, Trimble.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

7. April 22, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on Air Force and Navy nuclear programs and the implementation of nuclear enterprise review recommendations in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: Harencak, Wilson, Benedict, Creedon.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

8. April 29, 2015—Hearing to receive testimony on military space programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program.

Witnesses: James, Hyten, Chaplain.
Open & Closed. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–204).

9. May 12, 2015—Met to mark up the strategic forces portions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016.

- Closed. To be printed.
10. January 27, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the future nuclear posture of the United States.
Witnesses: Harvey, Miller, Payne, Roberts.
Open. Printed (S. Hrg. 114–585).
 11. February 9, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on Department of Defense nuclear acquisition programs and the nuclear doctrine in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.
Witnesses: Scher, Benedict, Rand.
Open. To be printed.
 12. February 23, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on the Department of Energy atomic energy defense activities and programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.
Witnesses: Klotz, Harrington, Regalbuto, Caldwell, Davis, Trimble.
Open. To be printed.
 13. March 9, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on military space threats and programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.
Witnesses: Hyten, Loverro, Greaves, Meink.
Closed. To be printed.
 14. April 13, 2016—Hearing to receive testimony on ballistic missile defense policies and programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program.
Witnesses: McKeon, Gortney, Syring, Mann.
Open. To be printed.
 15. May 10, 2016—Met to mark up the strategic forces portions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017.
Closed. To be printed.

NOMINATIONS

REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE

Atkin, Thomas, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense.

May 27, 2016—Referred.

January 3, 2017—Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Feehan, Daniel P., of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Readiness.

May 27, 2016—Referred.

January 3, 2017—Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Fine, Glenn, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of Defense.

September 28, 2016—Referred.

January 3, 2017—Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Hamilton, Joseph Bruce, of Texas, to be a Member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

November 29, 2016—Referred.

January 3, 2017—Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Slotkin, Elissa, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs.

August 1, 2015—Referred.

January 3, 2017—Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

REPORTED TO THE SENATE

Kusnezov, Dimitri F., of California, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration.

April 7, 2016—Referred.

July 12, 2016—Reported.

January 3, 2017—Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Marcus, Gail H., of Maryland, to be a Member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

April 28, 2016—Referred.

July 12, 2016—Reported.

January 3, 2017—Returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

COMPLETED

Camarillo, Gabriel, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Reserve Affairs.

April 14, 2015—Referred.

December 9, 2015—Hearing.

December 15, 2015—Reported.

December 16, 2015—Confirmed.

Carter, Ashton B., of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Defense.

January 7, 2015—Referred.

February 4, 2015—Hearing.

February 10, 2015—Reported.

February 12, 2015—Confirmed 93–5.

Conger, John, of Maryland, to be Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller).

March 5, 2015—Referred.

November 19, 2015—Hearing.

December 7, 2015—Reported.

December 14, 2015—Confirmed.

Connery, Joyce L., of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board for a term expiring October 18, 2019.

April 14, 2015—Referred.

August 4, 2015—Reported.

August 5, 2015—Confirmed.

Davidson, Janine Anne, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Navy.

September 22, 2015—Referred.

December 15, 2015—Hearing.

December 18, 2015—Reported.

March 17, 2016—Confirmed.

Disbrow, Lisa S., of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Air Force.

September 22, 2015—Referred.

December 15, 2015—Hearing.

December 18, 2015—Reported.

January 20, 2016—Confirmed.

Fanning, Eric K., of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary of the Army.

September 22, 2015—Referred.

January 21, 2016—Hearing.

March 10, 2016—Reported.

May 17, 2016—Confirmed.

Gibson, Susan S., of Virginia, to be Inspector General of the National Reconnaissance Office.

June 14, 2016—Referred.

July 11, 2016—Reported.

September 15, 2016—Confirmed 93–0.

Hamilton, Joseph B., of Texas, to be a Member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board for the remainder of the term expiring October 18, 2016.

April 14, 2015—Referred.

August 4, 2015—Reported.

August 5, 2015—Confirmed.

Lettre, Marcel John II, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence.

August 7, 2015—Referred.

December 9, 2015—Hearing.

December 15, 2015—Reported.

December 16, 2015—Confirmed.

Levine, Peter, of Maryland, to be Deputy Chief Management Officer of the Department of Defense.

March 5, 2015—Referred.

April 21, 2015—Hearing.

April 30, 2015—Reported.

May 23, 2015—Confirmed.

Murphy, Patrick Joseph, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary of the Army.

August 7, 2015—Referred.

December 15, 2015—Hearing.

December 18, 2015—Reported.

December 18, 2015—Confirmed.

O'Connor, Jennifer M., of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Department of Defense.

September 21, 2015—Referred.

February 25, 2016—Hearing.

March 17, 2016—Reported.

June 13, 2016—Confirmed.

Parker, Franklin R., of Illinois, to be Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Manpower and Reserve Affairs.

March 26, 2015—Referred.

November 19, 2015—Hearing.

December 7, 2015—Reported.

December 14, 2015—Confirmed.

Regalbuto, Monica C., of Illinois, to be Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, Department of Energy.

February 26, 2015—Referred.

May 19, 2015—Reported.

June 16, 2015—Hearing—Committee on Energy and Natural Resources (Joint referral).

July 9, 2015—Committee on Energy and Natural Resources discharged pursuant to the order of June 28, 1990. Placed on Senate Executive Calendar.

August 5, 2015—Confirmed.

Sparks, John E., of Virginia, to be a Judge on the Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces for the term of fifteen years to expire on the date prescribed by law.

August 1, 2015—Referred.

December 9, 2015—Hearing.

December 15, 2015—Reported.

April 5, 2016—Confirmed.

Starzak, Alissa M., of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army.

January 13, 2015—Referred.
November 19, 2015—Hearing.
December 7, 2015—Reported.
December 14, 2015—Confirmed 45–34.

Weiler, Todd A., of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

January 12, 2016—Referred.
February 25, 2016—Hearing.
March 17, 2016—Reported.
March 17, 2016—Confirmed.

Welby Stephen P., of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering.

March 19, 2015—Referred.
November 19, 2015—Hearing.
December 7, 2015—Reported.
December 14, 2015—Confirmed.

WITHDRAWN

Carson, Brad R., of Oklahoma, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness.

July 9, 2015—Referred.
February 25, 2016—Hearing.
March 17, 2016—Withdrawn.

Cullom, Phillip H., of Illinois, to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations, and Environment, Department of Defense.

November 20, 2015—Referred.
January 11, 2016—Withdrawn.

Garcia III, Juan M., of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Reserve Affairs.

March 19, 2015—Referred.
May 7, 2015—Withdrawn.

Roberson, Jessie Hill, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

February 6, 2015—Referred.
May 19, 2015—Reported.
July 16, 2015—Withdrawn.

NOMINATIONS FOR PROMOTIONS IN THE ARMED SERVICES

The Committee considered nominations for promotions in the Armed Services. Nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for confirmation resulted in the following:

FIRST SESSION

January 6, 2015 through December 31, 2015

Air Force nominations, totaling 5,734, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	5,550
Unconfirmed	181
Withdrawn	3

Army nominations, totaling 5,214, disposed of as follows:

Confirmed	3,474
Unconfirmed	1,740

Navy nominations, totaling 3,936, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	3,931
Unconfirmed	5
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,070, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,067
Unconfirmed	3

SECOND SESSION

January 4, 2016 through January 3, 2017

Air Force nominations, totaling 7,568 (including 181 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	7,495
Returned to White House	73
Army nominations, totaling 5,899 (including 1,740 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	5,878
Returned to White House	21
Navy nominations, totaling 4,408 (including 5 nominations carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	4,401
Withdrawn	2
Returned to the White House	5
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 1,246 (including 3 carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,245
Returned to the White House	1

PRIVILEGED NOMINATIONS

Nominations privileged under S. Res. 116, agreed to on June 29, 2011, are placed on the Senate Executive Calendar pending receipt of information requested by the Committee. Of the 2 privileged nominations referred to the Committee during the 114th Congress, the Committee received the requested information on 2 and 2 were confirmed by the Senate

Aguilera, Ricardo A., of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Financial Management.

September 22, 2015—Referred.

February 1, 2016—Confirmed.

Hedger, Stephen C., of New York, to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs.

May 22, 2015—Referred.

October 8, 2015—Confirmed.

PUBLICATIONS

S. Rept. 114–007—Report of the Activities of the Committee on Armed Services, United States Senate, 113th Congress.

S. Rept. 114–49—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016.

S. Rept. 114–225—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017.

**SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES FUNDING
FOR INQUIRIES AND INVESTIGATIONS**

CONGRESS	SENATE RESOLUTION AND EFFECTIVE DATES	AMOUNT AUTHORIZED	AMOUNT EXPENDED	AMOUNT UNEXPENDED
80 th	S. Res. 263, June 19, 1948 to March 31, 1949	\$25,000	0	\$25,000
81 st	S. Res. 93, June 22, 1949 to December 31, 1950	\$25,000	\$24,998	\$2
	S. Res. 375 (extending S. Res. 93 to January 31, 1951)	-----	-----	-----
82 nd	S. Res. 18, February 1, 1951 to January 31, 1952	\$190,000	\$141,873	\$48,127
	S. Res. 263, February 1, 1952 to January 31, 1953	\$190,000	\$125,790	\$64,210
83 rd	S. Res. 50 (extending S. Res. 263 to March 17, 1953)	-----	-----	-----
	S. Res. 86, March 18, 1953 to January 31, 1954	\$167,000	\$91,525	\$75,475
	S. Res. 185, February 1, 1954 to January 31, 1955	\$150,000	\$95,834	\$54,166
84 th	S. Res. 28 (extending S. Res. 185 to March 31, 1955)	\$0	\$0	\$0
	S. Res. 72, April 1, 1955 to January 31, 1956	\$160,000	\$79,146	\$80,854
	S. Res. 203 (extending S. Res. 72 to February 29, 1956)	\$0	\$0	\$0
	S. Res. 215, March 1, 1956 to January 31, 1957	\$176,000	\$86,695	\$89,305
85 th	S. Res. 48, February 1, 1957 to January 31, 1958	\$190,000	\$108,217	\$81,783
	S. Res. 212, February 1, 1958 to January 31, 1959	\$190,000	\$126,362	\$63,638
86 th	S. Res. 26, February 1, 1959 to January 31, 1960	\$190,000	\$151,290	\$38,710
	S. Res. 261, February 1, 1960 to January 31, 1961	\$190,000	\$159,841	\$30,159
87 th	S. Res. 43, February 1, 1961 to January 31, 1962, \$190,000, amended by S. Res. 215 and increased to \$220,000	\$220,000	\$177,443	\$42,557
	S. Res. 270, February 1, 1962 to January 31, 1963 (S. Res. 88 of the 88 th Congress extended S. Res. 270 to February 28, 1963.)	\$220,000	\$167,936	\$52,064
88 th	S. Res. 75, March 1, 1963 to January 31, 1964	\$175,000	\$123,905	\$51,095
	S. Res. 286, February 1, 1964 to January 31, 1965	\$190,000	\$141,338	\$48,662
89 th	S. Res. 37, February 1, 1965 to January 31, 1966	\$175,000	\$139,145	\$35,855
	S. Res. 212, February 1, 1966 to	\$175,000	\$149,034	\$25,966

CONGRESS	SENATE RESOLUTION AND EFFECTIVE DATES	AMOUNT AUTHORIZED	AMOUNT EXPENDED	AMOUNT UNEXPENDED
	January 31, 1967			
90 th	S. Res. 71, February 1, 1967 to January 31, 1968	\$175,000	\$148,690	\$26,310
	S. Res. 225, February 1, 1968 to January 31, 1969	\$175,000	\$166,447	\$8,553
91 st	S. Res. 56, February 1, 1969 to January 31, 1970	\$225,000	\$223,394	\$1,606
	S. Res. 331, February 1, 1970 to January 31, 1971	\$300,000	\$266,314	\$33,686
92 nd	S. Res. 30, February 1, 1971 through February 29, 1972	\$420,000	\$369,562	\$50,438
	S. Res. 253, March 1, 1972 through February 28, 1973	\$455,000	\$389,766	\$65,234
93 rd	S. Res. 55, March 1, 1973 through February 28, 1974	\$520,000	\$379,965	\$140,035
	S. Res. 270, March 1, 1974 through February 28, 1975	\$520,000	\$366,001	\$153,999
94 th	S. Res. 87, March 1, 1975 through February 29, 1976	\$533,300	\$376,098	\$157,202
	S. Res. 387, March 1, 1976 through February 28, 1977	\$601,000	\$498,976	\$102,024
95 th	S. Res. 78, March 1, 1977 through June 30, 1977; S. Res. 142, July 1, 1977 through February 28, 1978, amended by S. Res. 297 and S. Res. 314	\$728,700	\$675,073	\$53,627
	S. Res. 385, March 1, 1978 through February 28, 1979	\$808,800	\$605,888	\$202,912
96 th	S. Res. 81, March 1, 1979 through February 29, 1980	\$763,900	\$626,728	\$137,172
	S. Res. 368, March 1, 1980 through February 28, 1981	\$876,000	\$763,602	\$212,398
97 th	S. Res. 60, March 1, 1981 through February 28, 1982	\$1,554,400	\$1,351,771	\$202,629
	S. Res. 333, Sec. 5, March 1, 1982 through February 28, 1983	\$1,607,807	\$1,371,561	\$236,246
98 th	S. Res. 76, Sec. 5, March 1, 1983 through February 29, 1984	\$1,907,807	\$1,672,071	\$235,736
	S. Res. 354, Sec. 5, March 1, 1984 through February 28, 1985	\$2,239,919	\$1,906,356	\$333,563
99 th	S. Res. 85, Sec. 5, as amended, March 1, 1985 through February 28, 1986	\$2,158,810	\$1,963,387	\$195,423
	S. Res. 353, Sec. 2(e), March 1, 1986 through September 30, 1986	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$0
	S. Res. 353, Sec. 5, March 1, 1986 through February 28, 1987	\$2,097,190	\$2,017,603	\$79,587
100 th	S. Res. 80, Sec. 5, March 1, 1987 through February 29, 1988	\$2,167,877	see below	see below
	S. Res. 306, amended S. Res. 80, Sec. 5, March 1, 1987 through February 29, 1988	\$2,447,184	\$2,264,204	\$182,980
	S. Res. 381, Sec. 5, March 1, 1988	\$2,490,812	\$2,490,812	\$0

CONGRESS	SENATE RESOLUTION AND EFFECTIVE DATES	AMOUNT AUTHORIZED	AMOUNT EXPENDED	AMOUNT UNEXPENDED
	through February 29, 1989			
101 st	S. Res. 66, Sec. 5, March 1, 1989 through February 28, 1990	\$2,728,969	\$2,717,847	\$11,122
	S. Res. 66, Sec. 5, March 1, 1990 through February 28, 1991	\$2,785,811	\$2,785,811	\$0
102 nd	S. Res. 62, Sec. 5(b), March 1, 1991 through February 29, 1992	\$3,024,631	\$3,013,591	\$11,040
	S. Res. 62, Sec. 5 (c), March 1, 1992 through February 28, 1993	\$3,269,596	\$3,269,397	\$199
103 rd	S. Res. 71, Sec. 5(b), March 1, 1993 through February 29, 1994	\$2,819,419	\$2,819,388	\$31
	S. Res. 71, Sec. 5 (c), March 1, 1994 through February 28, 1995	\$2,880,344	\$2,609,065	\$271,279
104 th	S. Res. 73, Sec. 5(b), March 1, 1995 through February 29, 1996	\$2,641,704	\$2,606,693	\$34,709
	S. Res. 73, Sec. 5 (c), March 1, 1996 through February 28, 1997	\$2,702,669	\$2,690,142	\$544
105 th	S. Res. 54, sec. 5(b), March 1, 1997 through September 30, 1998, as amended	\$2,732,772	\$2,731,271	\$1,501
	S. Res. 54, Section 5 (c), March 1, 1998 through February 28, 1999, as amended	\$2,839,495	\$2,636,746	\$202,749
106 th	S. Res. 49, March 1, 1999 through September 30, 1999	\$1,709,219	\$1,677,526	\$31,693
	S. Res. 189, Sec. 3(b), October 1, 1999 through September 30, 2000	\$3,796,030	\$3,663,945	\$132,085
	S. Res. 189, Sec. 3(c), October 1, 2000 through February 28, 2001	\$1,568,418	\$1,489,351	\$79,067
107 th	S. Res. 54, Sec. 3(b), March 1, 2001 through September 30, 2001	\$3,301,692	\$2,566,662	\$735,030
	S. Res. 54, Sec. 3(c), October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002	\$5,859,150	\$4,605,178	\$1,253,994
	S. Res. 54, Sec. 3(d), October 1, 2002 through February 28, 2003	\$2,506,642	\$1,789,140	\$717,502
108 th	S. Res. 66, Sec. 3(b), March 1, 2003 through September 30, 2003	\$3,594,172	\$2,749,770	\$844,402
	S. Res. 66, Sec. 3(c), October 1, 2003 through September 30, 2004	\$6,328,829	\$4,868,524	\$1,460,305
	S. Res. 66, Sec. 3(d), October 1, 2004 through February 28, 2005	\$2,698,836	\$2,040,965	\$657,871
109 th	S. Res. 50, Sec. 3(b), March 1, 2004 through September 30, 2005	\$3,859,485	\$3,125,784	\$733,701
	S. Res. 50, Sec. 3(c), October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2006	\$6,778,457	\$5,425,730	\$1,352,727
	S. Res. 50, Sec. 3(d), October 1, 2006 through February 28, 2007	\$2,886,176	\$2,335,129	\$551,047
110 th	S. Res. 89, Sec. 3(b), March 1, 2007 through September 30, 2007	\$4,073,254	\$3,531,547	\$541,707
	S. Res. 89, Sec. 3(c), October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008	\$7,139,800	\$6,202,384	\$937,416
	S. Res. 89, Sec. 3(d), October 1, 2008 through February 29, 2009	\$3,032,712	\$2,519,759	\$512,953

CONGRESS	SENATE RESOLUTION AND EFFECTIVE DATES	AMOUNT AUTHORIZED	AMOUNT EXPENDED	AMOUNT UNEXPENDED
111 th	S. Res. 73, Sec. 3(b), March 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009	\$4,639,258	\$3,620,211	\$1,019,047
	S. Res. 73, Sec. 3(c), October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010	\$8,158,696	\$6,489,685	\$1,669,011
	S. Res. 73, Sec. 3(d), October 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011	\$3,468,380	\$2,698,701	\$776,629
112 th	S. Res. 81, Sec. 3(b), March 1, 2011 through September 30, 2011	\$4,749,869	\$3,789,425	\$960,444
	S. Res. 81, Sec. 3(c), October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012	\$8,142,634 ⁱ	\$6,334,000	\$1,808,634
	S. Res. 81, Sec. 3(d), October 1, 2012 through February 28, 2013	\$3,392,765 ⁱⁱ	\$2,492,817	\$899,948
113 th	S. Res. 64, Sec. 3(b), March 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013	\$4,179,885	\$3,398,627	\$781,258
	S. Res. 253, Sec. 3(c), October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014	\$6,421,128	\$5,922,601	\$498,527
	S. Res. 253, Sec. 3(d), October 1, 2014 through February 28, 2015	\$2,675,471	\$2,579,716	\$95,755
114 th	S. Res 73, Sec. 3 (b), March 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015	\$3,783,845	\$3,690,975	\$92,888
	S. Res 73, Sec. 3 (c), October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016	\$6,486,591	\$6,310,841	\$175,750
	S. Res 73, Sec. 3 (d), October 1, 2016 through February 28, 2017	\$2,702,746	\$2,612,746	\$90,000

ⁱ Amount authorized by S. Res. 81, Sec. 3(c) for Fiscal Year 2012 was reduced by the Rules Committee on January 4, 2012 to \$6,488,126, which was the amount spent by the Committee on Armed Services in Fiscal Year 2011.

ⁱⁱ Amount authorized by S. Res. 81, Sec. 3(d) for Fiscal Year 2013 was reduced by the Rules Committee on October 5, 2012 to \$2,703,386, which equated to five-twelfths of the Fiscal Year 2012 guidance (see footnote i above).

**STAFF OF THE COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES 114TH
CONGRESS**

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 Jennifer E. White, Professional Staff Member
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Appointments:

Christian D. Brose, Staff Director, appointed January 1, 2015.
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 Kathryn M. Edelman, Chief Investigator, appointed January 1, 2015.
 Matthew P. Donovan, Professional Staff Member, appointed January 12, 2015.
 Leah K. Scheunemann, Staff Assistant, appointed January 12, 2015.
 Dustin R. Walker, Communications Director, appointed January 16, 2015.
 Jacqueline K. Kerber, Special Assistant, appointed January 16, 2015.
 David E. Sayers, Professional Staff Member, appointed January 19, 2015.
 Lauren M. Davis, Research Analyst, appointed January 20, 2015.
 James B. Hickey, Senior Military Advisor, appointed January 23, 2015.
 John F. Lehman III, Professional Staff Member, appointed January 23, 2015.
 William C. Greenwalt, Professional Staff Member, appointed February 2, 2015.
 Bradley M. Patout, Professional Staff Member, appointed February 2, 2015.
 Jason L. Potter, Professional Staff Member, appointed February 8, 2015.
 Elizabeth C. Everett, Professional Staff Member, appointed February 19, 2015.
 Jeremy H. Hayes, Professional Staff Member, appointed February 19, 2015.
 Carolyn A. Chuhta, Professional Staff Member, appointed March 1, 2015.
 Jennifer E. White, Professional Staff Member, appointed March 2, 2015.
 Diem N. Salmon, Professional Staff Member, appointed March 13, 2015.
 Anish Goel, Professional Staff Member, appointed March 18, 2015.
 William C. Quinn, Research Analyst, appointed June 15, 2015.
 Jon J. Rosenthal, Staff Assistant, appointed June 17, 2015.

Caroline M. Hones, Research Analyst, appointed October 19, 2015.
 Jonathan D. Green, Special Assistant, appointed October 28, 2015.
 Nicholas W. Hatcher, Staff Assistant, appointed November 30, 2015.
 Gwyneth B. Woolwine, Professional Staff Member, appointed December 28, 2015.
 Arthur C. Tellis, Staff Assistant, appointed March 28, 2016.
 Thuc Minh Nguyen, Professional Staff Member, appointed December 27, 2016.

Resignations:

John A. Bonsell, Minority Staff Director, resigned January 6, 2015.
 William S. Castle, Minority General Counsel, resigned January 6, 2015.
 Anthony J. Lazarski, Professional Staff Member, resigned January 6, 2015.
 Daniel J. Harder, Staff Assistant, resigned January 25, 2015.
 Alexandra M. Hathaway, Staff Assistant, resigned January 25, 2015.
 Daniel C. Adams, Minority Associate Counsel, resigned January 29, 2015.
 Ambrose R. Hock, Professional Staff Member, resigned January 29, 2015.
 Richard W. Fieldhouse, Professional Staff Member, resigned February 28, 2015.
 Peter K. Levine, Counsel, resigned February 28, 2015.
 Jason W. Maroney, Counsel, resigned February 28, 2015.
 Roy F. Phillips, Professional Staff Member, resigned February 28, 2015.
 Travis E. Smith, Chief Clerk, resigned February 28, 2015.
 John D. Cewe, Professional Staff Member, resigned March 6, 2015.
 Lauren M. Gillis, Staff Assistant, resigned March 6, 2015.
 Cindy Pearson, Assistant Chief Clerk and Security Manager, resigned March 6, 2015.
 Mary J. Kyle, Legislative Clerk, resigned April 10, 2015.
 William K. Sutey, Professional Staff Member, resigned May 29, 2015.
 Kathryn M. Edelman, Chief Investigator, resigned July 12, 2015.
 Brendan J. Sawyer, Staff Assistant, resigned July 24, 2015.
 Robert T. Waisanen, Staff Assistant, resigned August 5, 2015.
 June M. Borawski, Printing and Documents Clerk, resigned August 15, 2015.
 Elizabeth C. Everett, Professional Staff Member, resigned September 30, 2015.
 William G. P. Monahan, Counsel, resigned January 19, 2016.
 Caroline M. Hones, Research Analyst, resigned June 26, 2016.
 David E. Sayers, Professional Staff Member, resigned October 23, 2016.
 Michael J. Kuiken, Professional Staff Member, resigned January 3, 2017.
 Jeremy H. Hayes, Professional Staff Member, resigned January 7, 2017.

*Terminations:**Title Changes:*

Peter K. Levine, from Staff Director to Counsel, January 16, 2015.
 Travis E. Smith, from Chief Clerk to Chief Clerk, January 16, 2015.

Gregory R. Lilly, from Minority Clerk to Chief Clerk, January 16, 2015.

Gerald J. Leeling, from General Counsel to Minority General Counsel, January 16, 2015. Steven M. Barney, from Minority Counsel to General Counsel, January 16, 2015.

Mariah K. McNamara, from Special Assistant to the Staff Director to Special Assistant, January 16, 2015.

Samantha L. Clark, from Minority Associate Counsel to Associate Counsel, January 16, 2015. Daniel C. Adams, from Minority Associate Counsel to Associate Counsel, January 16, 2015. Natalie M. Nicolas, from Minority Research Analyst to Research Analyst, January 19, 2015. Barry Walker, from Assistant Security Clerk to Security Manager, March 1, 2015.

Mariah K. McNamara, from Special Assistant to Professional Staff Member, June 16, 2015.

Jon J. Rosenthal, from Staff Assistant to Research Analyst, June 1, 2016.

Leah K. Scheunemann, from Staff Assistant to Research Analyst, June 1, 2016.

